

In Unison

The monthly newsletter of Unity in the Olympics

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There is one more lesson in the Dynamic Laws of Prosperity program. To access, go to <https://www.unityworldwideministries.org/power-prosperity-program>. At "Here is Your Resource", click PowerOfProsperityProgram.doc. Not only will you find Catherine Ponder's lesson but also contributions by Charles Fillmore, Eric Butterworth and others. This month's feature article is by our own Carl Alexander.

The Light Of God Surrounds You

During our church service each week, we routinely cite the Unity Prayer of Protection, which begins: 'The Light of God surrounds us...' and of course, it does - which is always of great comfort to us, one and all. But being only human, sometimes we can grow so inured of a seemingly apparent 'known fact' that we fail to grasp the full implication that it entails.

For it can be no mere coincidence that Genesis, the first book of the Bible, also speaks of Light. And there within, we plainly find that light was the very first thing God brought forth, at the Beginning of all existence - "And God said, 'Let there be Light': and there was Light." Genesis 1:3

Think of that for a moment... before there was any other thing - planets, or stars, or galaxies - even before a single electron or atom had formed... God first made Light. And for a very, very long time (for Time was the second thing that God made) that Great Light was all that existed, and quite simply all that could exist.

Human science has now advanced enough to tell us that, with a great deal of surety... (though not with absolute certainty - because science does not deal in certainties, but only in theories.) And what science says is that in the beginning, about 13.5 billion years ago - give or take an eon, or two - an event scientists have come to label 'the Singularity' took place - and Time & Existence all began.

According to them, that existence consisted at first of a Primordial Light, so intense that it was hotter than all the trillions of stars in all the billions of galaxies that eventually came to be - hotter than all of them, even combined together. It was so hot that no physical matter could yet exist - just pure energy, and only energy.

For that is what Light actually is - energy. We all know a little about THAT - about how plants get energy to grow from the sun, and how animals eat those plants to stay alive and reproduce, and how men also raise crops & livestock for food... but we rarely stop to think about it all, in terms of energy - or, in terms of the Light of God.

Albert Einstein, one of the greatest scientific minds who has ever lived said: "Energy cannot be created or destroyed, it can only be changed from one form to another." And, he later added: "It followed from the Special Theory of Relativity that mass and energy are both but different manifestations of the same thing..."

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THANK YOU!

Duane and Carl for cedar tree pruning and shed maintenance.

Lisa, Steve, Charlotte and Jan for creating hand-outs for the fair

Jan, Char, Alice and Gayle for working on the newsletter

Barbara, our kitchen maven

Prayer Chaplains Charles, Pat and Donna

All of our guest speakers

Alice for her bookkeeping skills

Marguerite and Duane
Gardening and watering

Our church works because of all of you, and we are grateful!

OCT. BIRTHDAYS



8th

Kathy Schreiner

13th

Charlotte Coachman

24th

Autumn Rose Ruddick

25th

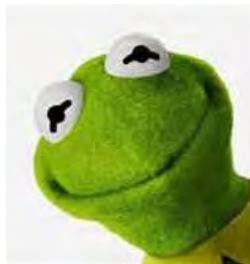
Ruth Zinter

25th

Trista Vellucci

30th

Margaret Denstad



Life's like a movie,
write your own ending.
Keep on believing,
Keep on pretending.

Jim Henson

MISSION STATEMENT

Unity in the Olympics provides an accepting place in which to experience the Peace, Love, and Oneness of the Christ within so that we may more fully express these gifts in the world.

UNITY IN THE OLYMPICS

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SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Meditation 10:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship time following service

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Teia Stitzel, President
Duane Morris, Vice President
Janice Wyman, Secretary
Alice Alexander, Treasurer
Steve Schach
Charles Mawson



LICENSED UNITY TEACHER

Margaret Denstad

Our Church Finances

August Income		August Expenses	
Tithes/Offerings	\$ 3392.00	Guest Speakers	\$ 750.00
Rent	60.00	Advertising & Promotion	407.44
Book/Lit Sales	19.60	Copy Machine	215.51
Fundraising	0.00	Insurance	184.24
Classes/workshops	43.00	Maintenance	216.40
		Office Supplies	38.59
		Book & Lit Expense	18.50
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 3514.60	Payroll	576.54
		Telephone	85.59
Tithes (July, paid in August)		Janitorial	100.00
Silent Unity	\$ 100.00	Utilities	260.91
Northwest Region	50.00	Charitable Contribution	100.00
Unity World Wide	50.00	Computer & Internet	37.95
MANNA	50.00	Tithe Expense	313.00
Dream U	21.00	Bank Service Charges	4.55
TAFY	20.00	Board Training	190.00
First Step	22.00		
TOTAL TITHES	\$ 313.00	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 3499.22

Like any family, we are always in need of certain staples:

- ♥ Cough drops
- ♥ Toilet paper
- ♥ Paper towels
- ♥ Paper napkins
- ♥ Tissues (small)
- ♥ Postage stamps



Pranic Healing at Unity

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Please come & bring a friend!

Twin Hearts Meditation:
Every Friday 9 am—10:30 am

Lord's Prayer Meditation:
1st & 3rd Friday 6:30 pm-8:30 pm



Swami Sankarananda has walked throughout the U.S. in prayer for peace for the past two years in the tradition of the Peace Pilgrim. Join him in a conversation about peace and stories of Peace Pilgrim and from the road.

WED, OCTOBER 7th at 7 PM in the SANCTUARY

If you can host him for the night please
contact Church: 457-3981 or uito@olyphen.com



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Each and every day, Light streams in upon us - from the Sun, and from the rest of the Universe - in a variety of wavelengths, or energy levels. Light which can be seen with the naked eye is called 'visible light' and includes the human color range, but that is only a small portion of the entire spectrum of light that exists within the physical Universe we inhabit. Shorter, high-frequency energies composed of Gamma rays, X-rays & Ultraviolet inhabit one side of the Light Scale, while longer, low-frequency energies composed of Infrared, Microwaves and Radio waves lie on the other side. And even though humans cannot directly sense it, ordinary sunlight consists of the entire electro-magnetic spectrum – all of which is energy, of one kind or another.

What is less understood, however, is that every object that has substance and exists within the Universe (whether on Earth, or in space) also emits both heat and light, through a process known as 'Planck's Law of Black Body Radiation'. So in a very real sense, we live in an illuminated Universe – a Universe where the total energy involved can never be changed.

For the Light of God is still surrounding us... and always will be. Because when Jesus said, "I am the light of the world" (John 6:18) and "You are the light of the world" (Matthew 5:14) it really wasn't just hyperbole, but the actual Truth.

So, the next time you find yourself reciting the Prayer of Protection, you may want to think about the words you are saying in a slightly different context, and with a new and fuller meaning.

For as Myrtle Fillmore, one of our Unity Co-Founders pointed out to us in her 1936 'Letters': "Each one of us is inseparably one with God, the source and substance of life and wisdom and every good. Each one must draw upon the Source for his own sustenance, **and for his own light**, and for his own will-power."

Namaste,

Carl



PET BLESSING SERVICE

"Feathers, Fur and Fins"

For many of us at Unity in the Olympics, our pets are a very important part of our lives. On **Sunday, October 11, Rev. Donna Little** will lead us in sharing our love and blessing our furry and feathered friends – whether they live with us at home or across the Rainbow Bridge, or whether we visit them in their special and natural habitat. **Bring a picture of the pet or animal** you would bless at this event; and **please bring a can or package of pet food** to support animals in need. **We lovingly ask that no live pets be brought to the service.**



PERCEPTION

By Pat Coughlin Mawson

How I first look at things
Draws a picture in my mind
And when the movie replays
I go in and try to find

All the fearful stories
That come up for me to see
But these first perceptions
Are not really me

And because they have scared me
And seem so very real
Sometimes they are the first things
That my mind goes to reveal

But I can take a deep breath
Close my eyes and gently see
That there is only Love and Light
Deep inside of me

And in the World!



In Loving Memory...

Our beloved friend Karin Stout made her transition on September 2nd surrounded by loved ones. Our prayers and condolences go out to Jerry Austin, her partner for the last fifteen years and to her family and friends.

As a Unity member, Karin served many times on the Board of Trustees, formed a charity to collect suitcases for foster children, and helped with various remodeling projects over the years.

Avid Seahawks fans, Karin and Jerry attended home games together for many years. As a couple they were also very involved in Lions Club activities.

She was a dedicated pet advocate, having rescued and adopted many pets over the years. Karin was a world traveler and had a keen interest and talent in interior design. When she ran her own decor business, she was one of the interior designers for the Queen Elizabeth II luxury liner. Her love of Asian art came about as a result of earlier travels throughout the Orient.

Those who met her will always remember her infectious laugh, quick wit, sophistication and charm.



Association of Unity Churches Northwest

Annual Conference September 21-24

Several Unity in the Olympics members attended this conference held in Federal Way, at the site of an old nun's home turned conference center overlooking Vashon Island. Donna Little and Margaret Denstad stayed for the whole conference while Teia Stitzel and Alice Alexander were there on Wednesday. The program included business meetings, workshops and some wonderful music. There was also an opportunity to connect with representatives from other small churches for an exchange of ideas. Our former pastor, Barbara Wilson was honored as she ended her 8 years as Regional Representative for the Northwest Conference...congratulations Barbara!



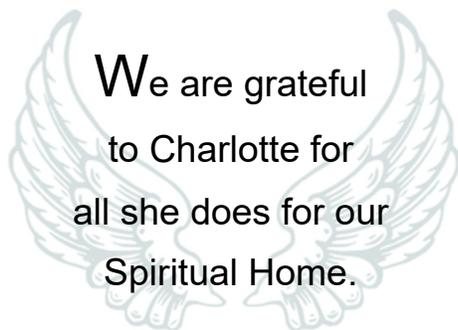


ANGEL OF THE MONTH

Charlotte Coachman

Charlotte is a tireless and dedicated volunteer who dearly loves Unity and shows it in so many ways:

- ♥ Has served on the Board of Trustees
- ♥ Volunteered her bookkeeping skills for many years
- ♥ Served as interim Administrative Assistant
- ♥ Serves as Worship Assistant
- ♥ Organizes music for Sunday Services & runs soundboard
- ♥ Helps with flower arrangements & table set-up for Sunday
- ♥ Visits shut-ins and provides rides to church
- ♥ Assists Board President as needed
- ♥ Has been a Prayer Force member for many years



Charlotte has just left for her winter stay with family and friend in Oklahoma.

Happy Trails and see you in April...you'll be missed!

Notes from the Board



The Board met on Sept. 20th with Teia Stitzel, Steve Schach, Alice Alexander and Jan Wyman present.

Finances: The August title of \$356 will be allocated as follows: Silent Unity \$100, Unity NW Region \$100, MANNA \$50, UWWM \$50, Dream U \$30, and Salvation Army \$26. One hundred dollars each was allocated to the Minister's Search Fund (now at \$3256) and Bathroom/Sewer Fund (now at \$6930).

Outreach: We plan to start a ride-to-church roster. We stayed within our \$500 budget for the fair with the addition of cash and materials donations.

Maintenance: It was decided we would touch-up paint our vandalized sign rather than pay \$500 for new. The sign will be moved to the front door partition where it's less likely to be "tagged". A kitchen outlet problem was repaired. The AA groups will be asked to avoid putting all three coffee urns on one circuit.

Fundraising: Plans to show "A Chorus in Miracles" documentary were discussed.

Next Board Meeting: Sunday, September 20th at 12:30 p.m.

RIDE ROSTER: We're looking for people to be on a call list for rides to church. You just need to be willing to be on call. It will be up to the rider to make arrangements with you. To volunteer, call or email church with your name and phone number.





NY Times Best Selling Author

James Twyman

Holds nationwide premiere
of

A Chorus in Miracles

In celebration of the 50 year anniversary of
A Course in Miracles

Spiritual pioneer, James Twyman, best known for his NY Times bestseller, *The Moses Code*, is holding the largest *A Course in Miracles* celebration in history by sharing his latest film, [A Chorus in Miracles](#), in over 350 churches nationwide this October. You are invited to join us for our screening as we join thousands around the world in celebration of the 50 year anniversary of *A Course in Miracles*.

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Wednesday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 25 at 12:30 p.m.

\$10 per person (but no one turned away).

A musical journey in celebration of the 50 year anniversary of *A Course in Miracles*, Twyman's feature documentary film has been insightfully created as an homage to the most life-changing spiritual text of the 20th century. Because of the profound nature of the work scribed by Helen Schucman beginning in 1965, *A Chorus in Miracles* is a must see film for long-time *A Course in Miracles* students, those newly embarking on their own transformational journey and any person with an interest in spirituality and how it changes our lives.

We invite you to this very special event! Join us as we embark on an exciting musical journey through the spiritual classic, *A Course in Miracles*.

A Course in Miracles has been called The New Age Bible by some, heretical by others and life changing by millions all over the globe. An exciting new documentary called A Chorus In Miracles sheds a brand new light on this spiritual classic this October - the 50th anniversary of its scribing.

The genesis of the documentary began when Twyman decided to put the 365 lessons from A Course in Miracles to music, lessons that are shared with nearly 20,000 people every day. Though it has been the most monumental task of his life, it has also inspired him to live The Course in ways he couldn't have imagined.

"I wanted to meet people who are living the teachings of A Course in Miracles in exciting ways," NY Times bestselling author and director of the film James Twyman explained. "One man expresses his love of The Course through the hula hoop, while a professor at Oakland University in Michigan uses A Course in Miracles to teach the finer points of systems engineering. Also included in the movie is an Emmy Award winning composer sharing his experience, as well as five-time Grammy Award winning musician Victor Wooten who has been a student of A Course in Miracles since he was sixteen."

See Movie Trailer at: <https://vimeo.com/139398151>



UNITY WORLD DAY of PRAYER

Unity World Day of Prayer, held Sept. 10th, celebrated the 125th anniversary of Silent Unity, the worldwide prayer ministry of the Unity movement. In April of 1889, Charles and Myrtle Fillmore published the first issue of *Modern Thought*, a national monthly magazine devoted to spiritual questions. In 1890, the Fillmores used their magazine to tell people about the Society of Silent Help (renamed Society of Silent Unity in 1891). Myrtle told readers that the work of the Society of Silent Help was "open to everyone." And so it has remained to this day.

Silent Unity responds to prayer requests 24/7 from people of all faiths in all parts of the world. From the moment a prayer request is received, the sender is lovingly enfolded in prayer with sensitivity, compassion and confidentiality. After this personal response, the prayer request is placed in the Silent Unity Prayer Vigil Chapel, where it is prayed over continuously for 30 days.



This year, World Day of Prayer participants were invited to light a virtual candle on the World Day of Prayer web page and watch the virtual candle map light up. The results were inspiring. Nearly 10,000 people responded and 228 countries were represented. The urban areas expectedly lit up, but there were some heart-felt surprises. Two candles were lit in North Korea, five in Iran, two in Iraq, two in Syria and two in Afghanistan.

It was amazing to see the vast expanse of the south Pacific dotted with candles: Midway, Pitcairn Island, Samoa, Tonga, Fiji, Micronesia, Guam. There was even a candle lit on Kure Atoll, empty except for millions of sea birds and an ecological field station. The northernmost candle was lit in Alert, Nunavut, Canada and the southernmost in the Argentine claimed section of Antarctica. From Venice to Vanuatu, Congo to Cameroon, Rio to Rome, Paris to Papua New Guinea, Sidney to Saudi Arabia, Malaysia to Mongolia...we have prayer partners all over our planet and we are blessed.

